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### Amendment and Response to Office Action

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 11, 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that are otherwise provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Authorization is given in the accompanying transmittal letter to charge counsel's Deposit Account for any fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.

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Remarks begin on Page 6.